

## BLAME IS NOT FIXED BY JURY

No Attempt Is Made to Place the Responsibility for Girl's Suicide.

## WITNESSES STILL MISSING

RESULT OF INQUEST EXONERATES DR. WILCOX.

After hearing the evidence of Mrs. Irene Gray Harold, the former industrial school girl, Dr. C. F. Wilcox and several other witnesses in the Lillie Jordan suicide case, the coroner's jury yesterday morning brought in a verdict that Miss Jordan's death had been caused "by a dose of laudanum taken in sufficient quantity to produce death, taken with suicidal intent, the blame or responsibility of any person or persons was unable to determine."

The inquest was adjourned from last week owing to the absence of important witnesses, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Harold, Dr. Wilcox and Richard Thompson, of Brigham City. Harold and Thompson were mentioned in Miss Jordan's dying confession as having been wronged her. A week was spent in searching for them, but they could not be found.

## Dr. Wilcox Exonerated.

Dr. Wilcox appeared at the inquest yesterday, accompanied by Major Richard W. Young, his lawyer. In his supplemental testimony Dr. Wilcox endeavored to demonstrate that he had done all in his power to save the life of the unfortunate girl. He made no reference to the conflicting stories he told concerning the girl's death, or his sworn denial of statements concerning the girl's mental condition which two witnesses under oath testified that they had heard him make and concerning which a third witness had volunteered his testimony, but was not placed upon the stand.

Lawyer Young, acting for Dr. Wilcox, asked Dr. Beer and Dr. Caldwell, who were recalled, hypothetical questions, calculated to establish the fact that Dr. Wilcox, under certain conditions, had done all that could have been expected of the physician when summoned to attend the dying girl. These questions were mainly based upon the hypothesis that Dr. Wilcox was under the impression that when the laudanum bottle was taken from Miss Jordan most of the poison remaining in the bottle had been spilled and that his study of the patient had further convinced him that no poison had been swallowed. Dr. Beer, in his questions of Dr. Wilcox's lawyer, both Dr. Beer and Dr. Caldwell stated that the physician attended the girl to the best of his ability.

## Declared She Would Kill Herself.

Mrs. Susan T. Kilpatrick, of 743 East Second South street, mother of Mrs. Harold, testified that Miss Jordan had called at her house on the Sunday before the girl's death. Mrs. Kilpatrick said that Miss Jordan was very much distressed and declared that she would kill herself rather than be sent back to the reform school at Ogden.

It was while Conrad Jordan, father of the dead girl, was coming to the superintendent of the industrial school that Miss Jordan drank the poison, and it may have been the year of the girl's death that place which precipitated her desperate act.

Mrs. Harold told the story of having met Miss Jordan while both were inmates of the industrial school. Mrs. Harold was then known as Irene Gray. She denied that she had ever quarreled with Miss Jordan, or that she had harbored a spirit of revenge toward the dead girl.

## Mrs. Harold's Testimony.

Mrs. Harold admitted that Miss Jordan was at her house on the Sunday before the girl's death. It was on that visit that Miss Jordan, according to the statement made to her parents, had been wronged by Mrs. Harold. Mrs. Harold said she declared that Miss Jordan kissed her on going away and gave no intimation that anything wrong had happened. On the next day, Mrs. Harold said, her husband told her that he had seen Miss Jordan down town with Richard Thompson. On Tuesday Mrs. Harold called at the Jordan house, but was told by Mrs. Jordan that Lillie was not at home. Mrs. Harold said that she had never seen Miss Jordan since that time, and did not know of the girl's death until five days after the suicide. Before going away, she said, she wrote a letter to Miss Jordan, and the slightest idea that the girl had taken poison was at the time on the point of death. She did not know what had become of Thompson.

After hearing all of the witnesses the coroner's jury yesterday morning brought in a verdict. It was signed by R. S. Wright, foreman, Orson C. Dyer and L. B. Nichols.

## DRUNKS MUST WALK.

Short Line and Southern Pacific Refuse to Carry Them.

As the result of trouble with a drunken tramp at Floriston a few days ago, orders have been issued by the Oregon Short Line and Southern Pacific management forbidding drunken men to get aboard or travel on any trains on the lines. Instructions have been issued to the conductors to refuse to carry any one who, in their opinion, is under the influence of liquor.

A few days ago Conductor Applegate of the Southern Pacific train on the Sacramento division put a drunken tramp off his train at Floriston. As the train was pulling out the tramp threw a stone at the conductor, who was standing on the rear platform. The rock missed the conductor, but struck a little girl. The child was taken to Truckee, where she was attended by a physician. The tramp was arrested.

## A BARGAIN.

Dance at Russell's hall, 1 O. O. F. building, tonight.

## Investments

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## EVEN BOOD FIND IS OVERDRAWN

Moran's Easy Money Puts Another Crimp in City's Finances.

## NOW IN DEPLORABLE SHAPE

OVERDRAFT IN GENERAL FUNDS IS ABOUT \$475,000.

The general expense funds of the city are now overdrawn approximately \$475,000.

The best the city can hope to secure by taxation by Jan. 1 is \$475,000.

The city's expenses over department receipts for the first two months will amount to at least \$75,000. On Jan. 1, after the taxes are collected, the books of the city treasurer will show that the city will have a debt of \$75,000 to begin the new year with. The administration figures that it will receive \$200,000 from the city's own funds, and previous experience shows that only 75 per cent of the taxes are collected up to the first of each year and thus the city will secure not more than \$475,000, as above stated.

The deplorable condition of the treasury is shown by the above figures, which are approximately correct for Nov. 1. The auditor and treasurer will not issue their reports for several days, the exact figures cannot be ascertained at this time.

## Overdraft in Bond Fund.

This is the \$100,000 overdraft in the water and sewer bonds, which were voted to the amount of \$1,000,000, were voted by the people, Jan. 3, 1905, after an agitation started by former Mayor Richard P. Morris according to the plans of the Morris administration, the bond issue would have been more than sufficient to develop the total expense funds of the city. But the American administration changed them so materially in order to favor P. J. Moran with a little extra work that when the bills are all paid there will be an overdraft of \$100,000 in this fund to be met.

Where this money is coming from is a poser.

The main reason for this overdraft is the giving of a \$75,000 gratuity to Moran for plastering the interior of the Big Cottonwood conduit. The remainder can be attributed to extras which have been paid Moran.

The finance committee of the council has been studying the problem for some time. It has suggested that a bond issue for \$100,000 be made to cover the overdraft. This, however, would necessitate an extensive special election. Another proposition has been to take the money out of the general expense funds of the city, which would mean a tremendous overdraft at the end of 1908 and one which could never be paid up without placing a heavy burden on the taxpayers for another year.

That there will be a \$100,000 overdraft is shown by the figures prepared by the city engineer. They were given in detail in last Sunday's Herald.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

**ATTORNEY GENERAL IN OGDEN.**—Attorney General M. A. Breiden went to Ogden yesterday.

**TEACHERS ARE PAID.**—It was pay day yesterday for the city employees and today the school officers and teachers will receive their monthly checks.

**TO OPEN BIDS.**—A special meeting of the board of public works will be held this evening for the purpose of opening bids for the construction of a pump house and outlet pipe for the intercepting sewer.

**HALLOWEEN PARTY.**—Miss Maud McCargue entertained delightfully at a Halloween party last evening. Many unusual festivities were enjoyed by the guests.

**QUIT TITLE.**—The Bingham Miners' Union Hall association yesterday began suit in the district court against M. Gibbons et al., to quiet title to a certain tract of land located in Bingham canyon.

**AT EIGHTEENTH WARD CHAPEL.**—Tonight, in the Eighteenth ward chapel two well-known young men of this city, Frank M. Whitney and John Neilsen, will receive a farewell testimonial at the departure on missions to Germany. An excellent program has been prepared.

**CHANGE OF SUPERVISORS.**—There will probably be a change of city supervisors in the northern division of the Grand Canyon reserve. S. S. Harris, formerly supervisor of that division, has retired. R. B. Benedict, who is holding the general supervision of the district, went to Kanab yesterday to take personal charge temporarily.

**HARRY JOSEPH BUSY.**—Harry Joseph and John James, two Republican leaders, took enough time away from their strenuous political duties Wednesday evening to arrest twenty boys and girls in the northeastern section of the city for reading immoral literature and conducting themselves in an unbecoming manner. The crowd has long been obnoxious to the neighborhood and the entire delegation will appear in juvenile court next Monday.

**GOVERNOR BURIES HATCHETT.**—Governor Cutler is in Logan. For some time past his health has been very poor. He is now in the hospital at the college hospital. He has, however, recovered and will be able to return to the college left yesterday to address the students.

**WANTS BACK ALIMONY.**—Mrs. Chas. Cummings yesterday asked the district court to compel her former husband, Chas. Cummings, to pay her \$34.65 back alimony. She says that she secured a decree of divorce and an order for \$15 a month alimony on Jan. 20, 1902, and that he has paid her nothing since that time except \$30.35. She asks that Cummings be required to appear and show cause why he has failed to provide for her.

The "best" today, Vienna Walnut Bread, Vienna Bakery.

McCoy's, livery carriages and light livery. Both phones 51.

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**BLANK BOOK MAKING.** Tribune-Reporter Ptg. Co., 66 W. 24 So.

The Royal makes all kinds of bread in a clean bakery. Ask your grocer for it. The Crown Label is on every loaf.

S. D. Evans, Undertaker and embalmer, removed to new location, 48 South State street.

One Reo, model "A," 1907 touring car, cheap for cash. Address Z 16, Herald.

Expert Chiropractor The Sanitarium Baths.

## TAXPAYERS CLAMOR IN VAIN FOR REFUND OF MONEY PAID ON PROMISES OF IMPROVEMENTS

The complaints of taxpayers who have paid for municipal improvements all the way from six months to two years ago, are coming to the council in increasing numbers and the amount of rebates asked is now quite large.

These petitions for rebates have gone either to the finance or engineering committees and most of them have either been ordered filed or utterly ignored. Whenever payment has been ordered the city auditor has refused to issue the warrants, saying that he cannot do so until the engineer prepares an estimate showing the city's portion of the work to be done. This was ordered last May but has not been forthcoming.

An instance of this kind was the rebating of \$4.50 to J. B. Toronto which he had paid to the city treasurer in 1906 for sidewalk extension No. 88. The auditor held up this refund. The matter came before the council Sept. 3.

On Oct. 15 the council ordered that \$5 be rebated to William Murphy. He paid this assessment on sidewalk extension No. 25 in 1905, and the work has never been done. On Oct. 22 the auditor reported to the council that he would not pay Murphy for the reason above mentioned.

About \$35,000 Withheld. The city is holding approximately \$35,000 belonging to people who have paid improvement assessments and who have never been benefited. Some of these payments were made on work ordered during the last part of the Morris administration and which the "Americans" have not had time to finish because other important matters had to be considered first.

This money is on deposit in the National Bank of the Republic and is being used by the city as an offset to its overdraft in the contingent funds. If it should be paid back to the taxpayers to whom it belongs it would make the city's debt that much more, and that is the reason why the council has failed to act on the rebate petitions and why the engineer has failed to determine the city's portion of this uncompleted work.

Here are some of the petitions now pending before the council and which have never been acted upon.

On April 26, 1906, G. S. Saxman paid \$2.50 for sidewalk extension No. 95. He petitioned the council Oct. 4 for his money, but has not seen it yet.

Anna E. Murphy has property on sidewalk extension No. 89. On Nov. 3, 1906 she paid to the treasurer part of her assessment for sidewalk extension No. 89, and she wants her money back. The petition went to the council Sept. 27, but has not been heard from since.

## Petition Is Ignored.

George A. Bailey, through his agent, E. A. Wicks, on Aug. 12 asked the council for a rebate of \$5.00 on the sidewalk sewer in front of property at the corner

## COMMERCIAL BODIES OF SALT LAKE INDORSE POSITION TAKEN BY BANKS

At a meeting of the board of governors of the Commercial club, held at noon yesterday, the adoption of the precautionary rules by the local banks was indorsed in the following resolution:

"The board of governors of the Commercial club, after investigating the recent action of the Salt Lake clearing house, made by the banks in a similar procedure of the banks in all the other cities of the United States, considers the action to which reference is made as a wise and proper precaution for the safe guarding of the best interests of the community."

The board therefore indorses and approves the action of the Salt Lake clearing house and congratulates the people upon the hearty co-operation and support they have given the local banks.

Very respectfully,

W. J. HALLORAN, President.

CHARLES S. BURTON, Secretary.

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of Third East and Sixth South streets. The assessment was paid Jan. 23, 1907. The work has never been done and need not be so, as the council has never acted on the petition.

Philip Buhrer paid a \$25.00 assessment for sidewalks on Over street exactly two years ago. The sidewalks are yet to be laid and on Sept. 17 Buhrer asked for his refund. The council has never acted on the petition.

H. A. Olson "was stuck" on the notorious city sewer. He has been fifty miles in length in extension known as No. 108. The contract for this work has been let twice, but favored once did not get the job, being underbid, and the contract has never been awarded. Olson was innocent, however, and paid his money back.

L. A. Blackmer is another man who paid his assessment for laying sidewalks in front of his place at 167 Second avenue in the fall of 1905. He asked for his money back Sept. 9 last, but has never had the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of a city warrant for the amount.

H. A. Luff says that the city "took his money," amount not stated, in 1905 to build a sewer in front of his house at 946 East Fourth South street. He asked for a rebate Sept. 9 and is still waiting for the sewer or his money.

## Little Matter of \$223.

J. A. Reeves has asked for the return of \$223, paid March 10, 1907, to extend sewer in front of his premises, part of lots 2 and 3, block 32, plat A. He petitioned the council for his money.

Maren Bergman paid the treasurer \$138.75 April 20, 1907. She is another of the unfortunate who "was stuck" on sidewalk extension No. 108. Her petition for a rebate was received Oct. 23.

Ruth E. Kinsey owns part of lot 3, block 1, plat A. She was of a trusting nature last year and on Aug. 15, 1906, gave the treasurer \$33.90 for a sewer in front of her place. She has never seen the sewer and the city still has her money. Her petition for a rebate was also received Oct. 23.

Mrs. Cordelia C. Young is another victim of sidewalk extension No. 108. She paid the city \$33.19 on May 2, 1907, and on Oct. 1 asked for its return. She has never seen the sewer and the city still has her money. Her petition for a rebate was also received Oct. 23.

This does not purport to be a complete list of all the rebate petitions received, but it is believed that the above list is a fair representation of the situation. The administration has executed public work.

## J. H. YOUNG PROMOTED AGAIN

Former Salt Lake Becomes General Superintendent of Southern Pacific—Has Risen Rapidly.

Word was received in Salt Lake yesterday that J. H. Young, formerly of Salt Lake, had been named general superintendent of the Southern Pacific. Mr. Young has heretofore been general superintendent of the western division of that road. Mr. Young is an experienced railroad man and that his work is appreciated is shown by his rapid promotion. He is the son of Le Grand Young of Salt Lake.

Mr. Young's promotion was made possible through the promotion of General Superintendent Scott to assistant general manager of the Southern Pacific, an official position which has been created by General Manager E. E. Calvin. T. A. Lawson, formerly assistant general manager of the Chicago & Northwestern railway, will succeed Mr. Young as superintendent of the western division.

## DAN Y. WHEELER KILLED

Popular Commercial Traveler Struck by an Automobile at Denver, Receiving Fatal Injuries.

Telegraphic communication from Denver brought the news to Salt Lake yesterday of the tragic death of Daniel Y. Wheeler, who was struck by an automobile in the city of Denver. The details of the accident have not been learned further than that Mr. Wheeler was run down by an automobile Wednesday afternoon and died later in the evening.

Mr. Wheeler was one of the oldest and best known commercial travelers making Salt Lake. He was the representative of the Richardson Drug company of Omaha for Utah and Colorado, and had been coming to Salt Lake in the interests of his firm for the past seventeen years. His home is in Denver but he was almost equally as well known in Salt Lake where he had hundreds of friends.

## EXIT SANPETE VALLEY.

Road Is Formally Absorbed by Rio Grande System.

The officers of the Sanpete Valley railroad retired last evening and the control of the road formally passed to the Rio Grande system. The files and books of the railroad company were moved yesterday from the Sanpete offices in the McCorkle block to the general offices of the Rio Grande. No new officers were elected to succeed the retiring officers. Their duties will be absorbed by the operating department of the Rio Grande.

The old officers of the Sanpete Valley railroad, who retired yesterday, were: John William Young, president; U. I. Hickey, secretary, treasurer and traffic manager; and W. A. Taylor, auditor. The old board of directors also retired, with the passing of control of the road.

The sale of the Sanpete Valley railroad to the Rio Grande was made six weeks ago and since that time the operation of the road has been nominally under the direction of the old officers, although it was being operated by the Rio Grande. With the retirement of the officers yesterday the road becomes a part of the Rio Grande system.

## WORSE THAN ONIONS.

Bad Breath From Indigestion Cannot Be Overcome With Perfumes.

All of us suffer from bad breath—sometimes our own, but oftener that of our friends. Nine-tenths of this bad breath comes from some stomach trouble, and cannot be overcome by breath perfumes or any other palliative measures.

If you occasionally have a bad breath; if there is heart-burn, flatulence and acid givings of undigested food; if the stomach burns or smart; if there is sleeplessness, nervousness, headaches or any other of the many symptoms of indigestion, use Mi-o-na stomach tablets and get well and cured.

Mi-o-na is not a mere digestive nor a physic, but a tonic remedy that strengthens the muscles of the stomach and bowels so that the flow of gastric juices is increased, and the food is digested naturally and does not stay in the stomach to ferment and poison the breath with nauseous odors.

A little 50-cent box of Mi-o-na stomach tablets lasts for a couple of weeks, and will ward off a dozen mild attacks of indigestion. If you suffer with a chronic case of stomach trouble, the use of Mi-o-na for a reasonable length of time will give you an absolute and complete cure.

F. C. Schramm has seen so many cures made by Mi-o-na stomach tablets that he gives a guarantee with every 50-cent box that the money will be refunded if the remedy fails to give satisfaction. He takes the whole risk, and a box of Mi-o-na will not cost you a penny unless it cures you. Corner Main and First South streets, "Where the Cars Stop."

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## NECESSARY GRADING WAITS FOR SIDEWALKS

Residents of Fifth Avenue Must Suffer for Delay of Public Work.

## RECOMMENDATION WAS PIGEON-HOLED BY COMMITTEE.

The people with homes along Fifth avenue